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INCLUSION IN CGHS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from the various institutions including Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangthan regarding inclusion of their employees under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS);

(b) if so, the details thereof, institution wise; And

(c) the reaction of the Government on the above proposals?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b): Yes. This Ministry has been receiving proposals from various Institutions/ Autonomous bodies/Statuary bodies under Central Government for extending CGHS facilities to their employees/pensioners. A list of such institutions / organizations is annexed. A request from Commissioner of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangthan was also received in the month of May 2012 in this regard.

(c): M/o Health and Family Welfare has expressed its inability to extend CGHS facilities to them on account of resource constraints, especially the shortage of medical and paramedical staff besides the financial and other logistic constraints.

CGHS is a healthcare scheme primarily for the Central Government employees and pensioners. CGHS is currently available in only 25 cities across the country and a large section of Central Govt. employees and pensioners are out of CGHS coverage.

Moreover, it is primarily the responsibility of the autonomous institutions to devise their own health schemes for their employees keeping in view their ways and means.